

Amuzu Theatre

Saturday Night 28th

DECEMBER

"THE WHITE SQUAW"

A Unique Comedy Drama by
Miss Della M. Clarke.

Everybody will remember Miss Clarke who opened the new theatre with her own show, "Introduce Me."

THE STORY OF COAL.

It was a very cold winter night, and as Jack sat before the blazing coal fire, he felt most comfortable, indeed. The fire never seemed so pretty to him, and he sat and watched the glowing coals so long that his mother thought he had gone sound asleep, as grandfather had done in his big easy chair.

"I'm not a bit sleepy," Jack declared. "I've been wishing I could go down to a coal mine and see how coal is made."

"But it isn't made," his mother said. "It is in the ground already to be taken out for our use. Once upon a time this hard coal was a great, beautiful forest—ferns, leaves, moss and vines, and large trees of every kind. Hundreds of years went by, the old tree rotting away and new ones coming on, until at last instead of the lovely green things, all was black and ugly. And then, one day, after so many years of darkness, men with lamps went down into the earth with long picks in their hands and began to loosen the black pieces of rock. A boy came along and tossed it into a cart, and along the narrow path which led to the earth and the beautiful sunshine, the coal came out of its hiding place. This coal family is a large one with relatives all over the world. Their real name is peat, but only in one country, in Ireland, are they known by that name. In every country coal is found—in sunny Italy, in cold Russia, China, Japan and indeed every where. Some are a soft and some are a hard lot," mother ended, laughingly.

"A coal miner has a hard life and yet how brave he is, going deep down into the earth to bring us this comfort and brightness! Winter would be a cheerless time were it not for coal. It's one of the things we should be thankful for. How good God is to put such comforts away, deep, down in the earth! The story of coal is a very wonderful one, and some day you will learn how beautiful trees and growing things can make the hard black rocks we burn."

"Perhaps I'll be a miner myself and wear a cap with a lamp on it," said Jack, "that is, if ever I'm brave enough!"

—The Child's Gem.

W. G. Coutts arrived in Harlan Thursday from his home at Big Stone Gap. He will do plumbing work here for a while. —Harlan (Ky.) Enterprise.

Mrs. R. T. Irvine, left Sunday for Richmond, where she was called on account of the serious illness of her mother, Mrs. Robert Nolting.

E. F. Burgess, on the corner, is the place to buy your Christmas fruits. York Imperial and Wine sap apples, nice stock. Two bushel crate, \$2.25, delivered in your home. No. 1 Florida oranges will be offered to our regular customers for 30 cents per dozen, and by the crate at a price you can't afford to miss. Place your orders this week for apples and oranges by the crate.—adv.

Prof. N. H. Salyer has resigned his position as manager of the Southern Business College at this place and has moved to Dorchester, where he has accepted a position as pay roll clerk with the Wise Coal and Coke Company. Prof. Salyer resigned his position with the college in October but has continued on until the present. Mrs. Padgett will probably succeed Mr. Salyer as principal of the School.

R. L. Brown and family have moved to Middlesboro, where Mr. Brown recently purchased valuable business property. Mr. Brown also has some large building contracts at Harlan and Middlesboro makes a more convenient place to his work. They have leased their residence here to Mrs. L. J. Ponch, the dressmaker, who, in addition to continuing her dressmaking business will have several very desirable furnished rooms to rent.

W. F. Cooke has resigned his position as County Engineer and left this week for Richmond, where he will be connected with the convict work of the State Highway Commission. Mr. B. S. Crawford, who was assistant county engineer under Mr. Cooke, has been appointed by the Board of Supervisors to take the place of Mr. Cooke. Mr. Crawford will have his office in Big Stone Gap and will make this place his headquarters.

Mr. C. B. Slomp, Republican member of the house of representatives from the Ninth Virginia district, wants to get on the ways and means committee. We hope his desire will be gratified and that all the Democratic members of the house and senate from the State will line up to help him. He was elected by vote of the people of his district. He is the representative of a Virginia district. While he is in the house every Virginian should do all possible to aid him in adding to the prestige and power of the State. That is not a question of party or of personal preference or prejudice. It is a matter concerning Virginia. We should be as intent on having our Republicans take honorable place and strong position in their own party as on pushing the Democrats forward on their side. Mr. Slomp deserves well of his party. He is a veteran in the house now. He has held one of the few districts of the south giving Republican majorities and has held it against hard fights. He is entitled to place as a minority member of the big committee and all of us should want to see him get it. He was not treated very well in committee assignments for the last session by the Democratic majority in the house. We hope he will have better luck next time and be given opportunity to show ability and energy and make some reputation. —Roanoke Times.

It will cost \$823,115,455.14 to conduct the affairs of the government for the fiscal year, ending June 30, 1914, according to the estimates of the various department heads, submitted to the speaker of the House by the secretary of the treasury. This amount does not include any provisions for the postal service, which is expected to be self-supporting, is an increase of \$72,075,248 over the appropriations made for the present year by the last session of Congress.

The merchants of Big Stone Gap and Appalachia have patronized the Post well this year in advertising their Christmas novelties. We are sure they are being well paid for the money they are expending to bring to the attention of all the people in this section the many nice things they have to offer the Christmas shopper.

Two Kentuckians who had not been through the "Gap" in twenty-seven years were in Appalachia last week inquiring if it was possible to get to Big Stone Gap with a pair of mules they wanted to sell. They were told they could go there on an automobile, which they did. That night they were overheard talking to one another about the trip. One said, "Bill, it shore beats anything I ever seed. Why, dern me if that thar thing didn't run just like somethin' wuzatter it." "That's what," said the other, "an' if it hadn't made a turn right whar you come to that horse-trough, blame me if it wouldn't ha' jumped into the river." —Appalachia Progressive.

In order to accommodate our large advertising patronage this week and furnish our subscribers with a reasonable amount of reading matter we were compelled to make the Post six pages. The merchants of this section know where to place their advertisements in order to get good value for the money expended.

Twenty Christmas Stories Free.

All you have to do in order to get twenty of the best Christmas stories you ever read is to order from your newsdealer a copy of next Sunday's New York World. Then you will receive, without extra charge, the Sunday World's 24-page magazine, in which these stories will be presented, illustrated in true holiday fashion. The Sunday World will give you all the news from all over the earth, while the magazine will be well worth keeping. Order to-day.

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FULLERS'

Don't fail to pay us an early visit for your holiday buying now. We will store your packages for the time for delivery to suit your convenience.

Our line is particularly strong this season in fine quality

Cut Glass, Genuine American
Painted Art China

Extra Fine Sterling Silver
Ivory Toilet Ware

Toys for Children ranging
prices from 5c to \$15.00.

Special Holiday Pack
Jewelry, Diamond Rings, Hand Bags

Neckwear, Hosiery, Handkerchiefs, Umbrellas, Etc.

FULLERS'

The Store of Style and Quality
Big Stone Gap, = = Va.

From Roda.

The public school entertainment at Roda will come off on Friday before Christmas. The brass band will figure in the hour of amusement.

Rev. Anderson preached to a full house Sunday night. There were five preachers present, and, so far as we know, there was perfect harmony.

Most of our people are shopping this week for Christmas.

From Osaka.

We are delighted; every man at work who will work, and we think we have something to brag about along this line.

Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Stallard and little son were in Appalachia the first of this week.

Rev. Anderson filled his regular appointment at this place Sunday morning at 11 o'clock.

Wm. Bailey always seems happy. We wonder sometimes what the cause may be, and

then we make ourselves believe it is natural.

The public school at this place, under the care of Prof. E. J. Quillen and Mrs. L. B. Williams, is progressing nicely.

A song service has been started at the church for the practice of singing. The folks will meet each Thursday night at 7:30 o'clock.

Mr. and Mrs. H. L. Sulfridge, of Stonega, were visiting relatives in town Sunday.

Laugh and Be Happy.

Any doctor will tell you that a laugh is better than a potion in treating most cases of "blues." So cheer up! Laugh and the world laughs with you. To laugh loud and long, to enjoy the best jests, funny pictures, humorous stories, quips and true verses of the day, get the copy of "Fun," the famous Weekly Joke Book, that goes free with every copy of next Sunday's New York World. It will make you forget your troubles and drive dull care away. Order in advance.

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100 votes with every dollar purchase, and 200 votes on cash accounts. With every dollar paid on subscription to The Big Stone Gap Post 1000 votes will be given.

Contest Closes April 30, 1913.

Standing of Candidates, December 14.

KEOKEE, VA.	
Miss Malinda Whit	187,700
Mrs. G. W. King	182,900
Miss Verlie Tiller	160,250
Miss Violet Thompson	35,950
Miss Malinda Huff	4,200
Miss Malinda Morris	31,800
Miss Nettie Morris	11,000
Mrs. T. F. Robbins	61,150
Mrs. Nellie Marzine	68,900
Miss Maude Fleenor	21,050
Mrs. T. N. Legg	17,950
Mrs. George Gibson	3,100
Miss Edith Cochran	9,100
Miss Nellie Fletcher	54,100
Mrs. John Edens	8,550
Miss Rhoda Jones	5,750
Miss Helen Palmer	30,100
Miss Ethel Morris	39,100
Miss Mary Prater	11,600
Mrs. Nellie Layins	26,550
Miss Ethel Herron	46,950
Miss Arkie Clark	7,700
Miss Eppie Morris	2,100
Miss Anna King	6,150
Miss Mary Cooper	22,100
Mrs. E. Teague	11,250
Miss Mollie Lane	26,950
Miss Martha Dean	3,700
Mrs. Chas. Swacker	36,800
Mrs. J. D. Clay	4,550
Miss Hazel Blevins	18,150
Miss Anna May Clegg	3,400
Miss Grace Shepherd	2,000
Miss Susie Legg	47,300
Mrs. R. F. Culbertson	3,800
Miss Harriette Dotson	12,550
Miss Myrtle Day	3,350
Miss Stella Gibson	3,800
KEOKEE, VA.—R. F. D.	
Miss Una Collier	6,500
Miss Maude Lanningham	6,500
Miss Alice Robins	7,000
Mrs. Bertha Collinsworth	5,700

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WEDNESDAY NIGHT

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